



## Main Street Monday!

September 21, 2015

#### **CONFERENCE INFO!**

The conference hotel is located at 350 West Chestnut Street, Louisville, Kentucky, 40202

The Urban Design Studio where we are meeting on Wednesday is located at 507 W. 3rd, about a block away. It is an easy walk.

21C Museum is at 700 West Main Street. It is walkable and there is city parking near by or on street parking. Or you might be able to get a ride in this.



Anyone interested will meet there at 5:30 pm for a tour. Proof On Main is a restaurant located in the hotel. If anyone is interested in eating there. Dinner is on your own, and there are lots of places to choose from in the downtown and beyond.

The STRONGTOWNS conference will be at the Kentucky Center for the Arts, 501 W Main St. It is also easy to walk, but there is also a parking garage for those who need to or prefer to drive and park.

As I've mentioned we have had a few logistical issues, which seem to be never ending, but we will go with the flow and look forward to seeing each of you on Wed.

Parking information is provided on page 2. There is also a link for further information if you need it.

**Happenings Around the State** 

The 153rd anniversary of the Battle of Perryville will be October 2-4, 2015. This year, our emphasis will be on living history and re-enactments. All activities will take place along MerchantsRow.

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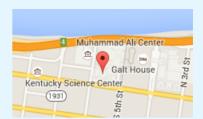
Molly Barnett, director in London and Michael Sliter one of their long time board members. Michael was honored recently for his service to the Main Street program.



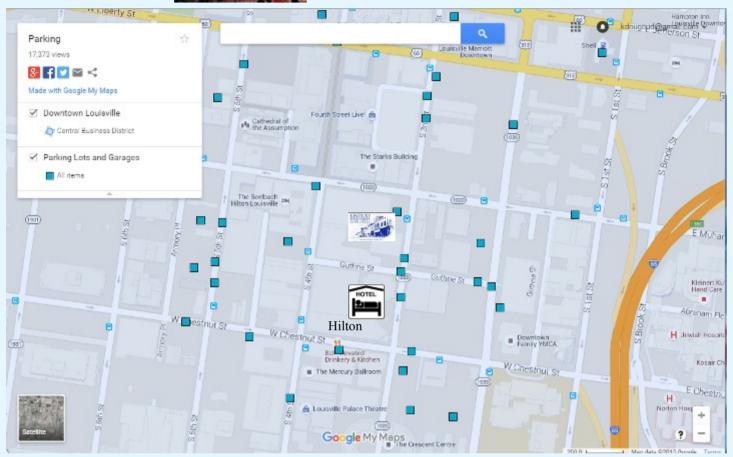
#### **Shelbyville**











All the blue squares are parking lots and garages. For more complete information go to http://louisvilleky.gov/government/parking-authority-parc/parc-street-garageslots It gives you more information than I can include here.

#### KIDS FEST was rescheduled due to weather.



# Our Town Application Step 1 Due TODAY September 21st

The Our Town grant program supports creative placemaking projects that help to transform communities into lively, beautiful, and resilient places with the arts at their core. Creative placemaking is when artists, arts organizations, and community development practitioners deliberately integrate arts and culture into community revitalization work - placing arts at the table with land-use, transportation, economic development, education, housing, infrastructure, and public safety strategies. This funding supports local efforts to enhance quality of life and opportunity for existing residents, increase creative a distinct sense of place achttp://arts.gov/grants-organizations/our-town/introduction



### Melinda Winchester—Paducah



Where are you from and where do you live now? I am from Cape Girardeau, Missouri, another historic river town. I live just outside of Paducah on a little ten acre farm.

How long have you been a Main Street manager? How did you get involved with the Main Street movement? I have been with the City of Paducah as the Main Street Director for almost one year. With my historic preservation background, I have been involved with Main Street as a member on Design Committees for both Cape Girardeau and Paducah.

What is the most rewarding aspect of being a Main Street manager? What is the most difficult aspect? I have found the most rewarding aspect of being a Main Street Director is the satisfaction to help connect people with our historic structures in our district. I love seeing the building come back to life, be rehabilitated, a new business thriving in the storefront and knowing that I helped make that connection. The most difficult is Demolition by Neglect. I feel like my hands are tied in many of these cases and I cannot comprehend how building owners can allow this to happen to our historic treasures.

In your experience, what has been the most effective means of building support for your program? Since I am still a little new at my position, I have built my support based on two main things. 1) Feet on the ground in my Main Street district. I walk Broadway every Thursday visiting my businesses. I believe this has been critical in building a relationship and support. 2) Collaboration with community partners. I like to involve everyone with our promotions from local banks, businesses outside the Main Street Area, Local elementary and high schools, Chamber of Commerce, artists, residents, churches and the media. I believe it helps make them feel like a crucial part of our success and promotional events. It helps develop a pride in Paducah.

Do you have any favorite activities or hobbies? I love to garden. I have already ordered my seeds for my cold weather crops. My new goal for this year is to learn to throw pottery. My husband bought me a wheel and I have connected up with one of our local artist to teach me.

What is your favorite movie? I love Pride and Prejudice. I have seen multiple times. My favorite current movie is Serendipity. I am a hopeless romantic and love happy endings.

What is your favorite song or band? I am an 80's gal. I love any of that era music and probably can beat you at "name that tune".

Name something you can't live without. Of course the obvious is my husband, my father and my three sons. Other necessities for happiness are my fuzzy cat - Peach, my wonderful, faithful 100 lb. Golden Retriever, Barkley and chocolate!

If you won \$20 million in the lottery, what would you do with it? I would definitely keep working. I love my job BUT I would become an angel investor for historic buildings! And buy my best friend and family BIG special gifts and a much bigger farm for my husband.

If you could time travel, where/what era would you visit? I would definitely go to Europe during the Regency Era. I love the architecture, the fine art and of course the gowns.

Fun facts? My other loveable farm creatures are two Black Angus Cows - Maggie and Gracie, my mini-horse, Amelia and my favorite of them all, Jack, my sweet, stubborn donkey!

#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS CONTINUED

#### Friday, Oct. 2, 2015

Living History Exhibits in Baril Park
Civil War Encampments at Karrick Parks House, Dr.
Polk House, and Johnson-Britton House proper
ties

Music in the Park

Chili Supper at the Karrick-Parks House; 5-8 p.m.

#### Sunday, Oct. 4, 2015

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Pancake Breakfast & Church Service, Karrick-Parks House, 7-9 a.m.

Living History Exhibits in Baril Park se, Dr. Civil War Encampments at Karrick Parks House, proper- Dr. Polk House, and Johnson-Britton House

> Re-enactment on Merchants Row Music in the Park (throughout the day)

#### Saturday, Oct. 3, 2015

GHOST RUN 5K: Rising with the Spirits; 7 a.m., registration,7:30 a.m. race Pageants, Noon, at the American Legion Hall;

Miss Perryville Pageant begins at 5 p.m.

Living History Exhibits in Baril Park

Civil War Encampments at Karrick Parks House, Dr. Polk House, and Johnson-Britton House properties

Civil War Period Children's Games (Dr. Polk's Lawn)

Parade, 11 a.m.

Civil War Social, Noon, at the Karrick-Parks House

Re-enactment on Merchants Row, 1 p.m. "A Taste of 1862" Dinner and Entertainment, 5:30-8 p.m.

Edgar Allen Poe Readings by Candlelight in the Karrick Parks House, 8:30 p.m.

Music in the Park (throughout the day)

## Before and After façade work in downtown Paintsville!

